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SUBJ: REMARKS OF SECRETARY KISSINGER IN PERU

1. MR. FOREIGN MINISTER, COLLEAGUES, LADIES  
AND GENTLEMEN:

2. THOUGH THIS IS MY FIRST VIST TO PERU, I FEEL  
I AM AMONG OLD FRIENDS. IN SEPTEMBER 1973, MIGUEL  
ANGEL DE LA FLOR WAS THE FIRST FOREIGN MINISTER I  
MET AFTER BECOMING SECRETARY OF STATE. SINCE THEN  
MIGUEL ANGEL AND I HAVE SEEN EACH OTHER REGULARLY,  
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AT THE UNITED NATIONS, AT THE OAS, IN MEXICO,

AND MOST RECENTLY IN PARIS, WHERE PERU WAS ELECTED CO-CHAIRMAN OF THE RAW MATERIALS COMMISSION OF THE CONFERENCE ON INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION.

3. ONCE I ADMIRERD HIS UNIFORM SUSPECTING THAT HE WORE IT TO INTIMIDATE ME. MIGUEL REPLIED HE WOULD MAKE A SPECIAL EXCEPTION FOR ME, AS A CIVILIAN, TO JOIN HIS LEGION -- TO JOIN HIM AT THE HAED OF THE GREATER BATTLE FACING MANKIND: THE STUGGLE AGAINST POVERTY AND UNDERDEVELOPMENT.

4. MR. MINISTER:

5. THE UNITED STATES THIS YEAR CELEBRATES ITS BICENTENNIAL; PERU IS THE CRADLE OF CIVILIZATION IN SOUTH AMERICA.

6. YET IT IS ONLY RELATIVELY RECENTLY THAT BOTH OUR COUNTRIES HAVE FOUND THEMSELVES DEEPLY ENGAGED IN WORLD AFFAIRS. AND IT IS STILL MORE RECENTLY THAT WE HAVE BEGUN TO UNDERSTAND THAT THE CONDUCT OF FOREIGN POLICY IN THE WORLD IS A CHALLENGE AS MULTIFACETED AND UNENDING AS IT IS INESCAPBLE.

7. THE UNITED STATES FULLY ACCEPTS THE AWESOME RESPONSIBILITIES THAT INEVITABLY BEFALL IT AS THE STRONGEST FREE NATION OF THE WORLD. WE SEE OURSELVES AS THE DEFENDER OF DEMOCRACY AND THE INDEPENDENCE OF SMALLER NATIONS AGAINST AGGRESSION. WE SEE OURSELVES, TOGETHER WITH THE OTHER NUCLEAR SUPER-POWERS, AS OBLIGATED TO MAINTAIN GLOBAL STABILITY AND TO SEEK REALISITC WAYS TO REDUCE INTERNATIONAL TENSIONS.

8. BUT OUR RESPONSIBILITES DO NOT END WITH THE CONTROL OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS OR THE CONTAINMENT OF EAST-WEST CONFLICTS. OUR VITAL INTERESTS AND SECURITY -- AND OUT HIGHEST MORAL CONVICTIONS -- ARE DIRECTLY AFFECTED BY THE EVOLVING RELATION - UNCLASSIFIED

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SHIP BETWEEN NORTH AND SOUTH, RICH AND POOR, INDUSTRIALIZED AND DEVELOPING. WE ARE THEREFORE COMMITTED, IN OUR OWN ENLIGHTENED SELF-INTEREST, TO FOSTER A NEW AND MORE PROGRESSIVE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM, BASED ON COEXISTENCE AND COOPERATION, TO REPLACE THE COLONIAL AND BILPLAR ORDERS THAT SUCCESSIVELY HAVE BEEN ERODED BY HISTORY.

9. I HAVE COME TO PERU CONVINCED THAT THE NATIONS OF LATIN AMERICAN AND THE UNITED STATES ARE ESSENTIAL PARTICIPANTS IN THE TASK THAT HISTORY HAS ASSIGNED TO THIS GENERATION. UNLIKE MOST OTHER NATIONS IN THE WORLD, WE OF THE AMERICAS SHARE A COMMON EXPERIENCE. THIS PALACE WAS BUILT WHEN OUR COUNTRIES WERE BOTH COLONIES. WE BOTH WON OUR INDEPENDENCE IN REVOLUTIONS WHICH TOOK PLACE IN THE EARLY PART OF THE MODERN ERA. UNLIKE MOST OTHER NATIONS, WE HAVE SHARED A CIVILITY OF PEACE AND OF MUTUAL RESPECT --LONG BEFORE THE PRESENT EVOLUTION OF THE WORLD'S DIVISION INTO INDUSTRIALIZED AND DEVELOPING NATIONS. THEREFORE, WE START AS FRIENDS RATHER THAN ENEMIES.

10. SINCE PERU'S REVOLUTIONARY PROCESS BEGAN, AND CONTINUING NOW UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF PRESIDENT MORALES BERMUDEZ, PERU HAS BROUGHT FRESH VISION TO MANY CONTEMPORARY INTERNATIONAL ISSUES. THAT PROJECTION, LIKE OUR OWN, DERIVES FROM THE RECOGNITION THAT INTERNATIONAL REALITIES ARE NO LESS ESSENTIAL TO THE FORMULATION OF NATIONAL POLICY AND TO THE ATTAINMENT OF NATIONAL WELL-BEING THAN DOMESTIC REALITIES.

11. PERU HAS CHOSEN A NONALIGNED PATH. THE UNITED STATES ACCEPTS NONALIGNMENT AS LEGITIMATE NATIONAL COURSE. INDEED, OUR GLOBAL INTEREST IS WELL SERVED BY A WORLD OF THRIVING INDEPENDENT STATES, SECURE IN THEIR NATIONAL DESTINIES AGAINST THE HEGEMONIAL DESIGNS OF ANY NATION.

12. YET TOO OFTEN NATIONS WHICH CHOSE NONALIGN-  
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MENT TO SHIELD THEMSELVES FROM THE PRESSURES OF POWERFUL GLOBAL BLOCS HAVE TENDED TO FORM A RIGID, IDEOLOGICAL, CONFRONTATIONIST BLOC OF THEIR OWN. THE VARIETY OF THE WORLD'S NATIONS IS TOO GREAT, AND OUR COMMON PROBLEMS TOO URGENT FOR SUCH OUT-MODED PRACTICES; THEY ONLY DEEPEN OUR DIVISIONS AND IMPAIR OUR MUTUAL PROGRESS.

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13. I AM CONFIDENT THAT OUR COMMON DEDICATION TO  
COOPERATION, ALREADY IMPLICIT IN OUR RESPECTIVE  
EFFORTS TO REFORM THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM, AND  
TO BRING THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE TO A USEFUL  
CONCLUSION THIS YEAR, WILL INTENSIFY IN THE FUTURE.

14. MY DISCUSSIONS HERE TODAY ENABLE ME TO BETTER  
APPRECIATE PERU'S DRIVE TO SHAPE AN INTERDEPENDENT  
WORLD THAT GIVES FULL SCOPE TO INDEPENDENCE. THIS  
AFTERNOON, I SAW MANY SIGNS OF THE GREATNESS OF  
THE RICH CIVILIZATION THAT FLOURISHED IN THIS LAND  
BEFORE THE EUROPEAN CONQUEST. AND THROUGH MY  
FRIENDSHIP WITH YOUR FOREIGN MINISTER, I HAVE COME  
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TO APPRECIATE THE ASPIRATIONS AND THE NEW DYNAMISM  
OF REVOLUTIONARY PERU.

15. I CAN, THEREFORE, UNDERSTAND WHY PERU HAS ELECTED NOT TO MODEL ITSELF ON OTHER NATIONS BUT TO DRAW ON ITS OWN STRENGTHS IN SEEKING FULFILLMENT OF ITS NATIONAL DESTINY. INSPIRED BY ITS UNIQUE PAST AND THE GENIUS OF ITS PEOPLE, PERU HAS CHOSEN ITS OWN PATH, THAT IS NEITHER CAPITALIST NOR COMMUNIST. RATHER, RECALLING TUPAC AMARU, PERU IS STRUGGLING TO FULFILL WHAT BASADRE HAS CALLED THE "PROMISE OF PERUVIAN HISTORY".

16. THE UNITED STATES, ITSELF COMMITTED TO THE IDEAL EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY, IS FULLY SYMPATHETIC WITH PERU'S STRUGGLE TO CREATE A SOCIAL DEMOCRACY ATTUNED TO THE NEEDS OF ALL ITS PEOPLES. THOUGH WE DIFFER -- IN IDEOLOGY, IN CULTURE, IN INCOME AND WEALTH, IN GOVERNMENTAL STRUCTURE -- OUR TWO NATIONS CAN NONETHELESS COOPERATE TO ACHIEVE GOALS THEY HOLD IN COMMON.

17. INDEED, THE PARTNERSHIP OF TWO STRONG COUNTRIES IS THE MOST FRUITFUL PARTNERSHIP OF ALL.

18. FOR SUCH COOPERATION TO BE MEANINGFUL, THERE MUST FIRST BE UNDERSTANDING. WE MUST RESPECT EACH OTHER'S SERIOUSNESS. THIS IS NOT A THEORETICAL CONSIDERATION. OUR LEGAL AND POLITICAL REQUIREMENTS HAVE COME INTO CONFLICT A NUMBER OF TIMES SINCE YOUR REVOLUTIONARY PROCESS BEGAN. NOT WITHOUT EFFORT - ON BOTH SIDES -- WE HAVE MANAGED TO SURMOUNT MOST OF THESE CONFLICTS.

19. IF WE DO NOT CONTINUE TO SEEK TO COMPOSE DIFFICULTIES BETWEEN US HONORABLY AND TO MUTUAL ADVANTAGE, IF OUR REALISM GIVES WAY TO PASSION, WE RUN THE RISK OF DECEIVING OURSELVES AND LOSING WHAT WE SEEK TO ACHIEVE FOR OUR PEOPLES. THERE IS COMMON GROUND ON THE BASIS OF EQUALITY (#)

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WILLSPARE NO EFFORT TO RESOLVE ANY DIFFERENCES

THAT ARISE ON THE BASIS OF DIGNITY, EQUALITY,  
AND MUTUAL RESPECT.

20. THE UNITED STATES TODAY APPROACHES THE WORLD,  
AND THIS HEMISPHERE, NOT WITH THE IMPULSE TO  
OVERWHELM PROBLEMS WITH RESOURCES OR TO DISGUISE  
DIFFERENCES WITH ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, BUT WITH  
PATIENCE, MATURITY, COMPASSION AND A WILLINGNESS  
TO IDENTIFY GENUINE MUTUALITIES OF INTEREST.  
DIVERSITY AND DISAGREEMENT ARE FEATURES OF A WORLD  
OF INDEPENDENT NATIONS. BUT THE INTERDEPENDENCE  
OF OUR SECURITY AND ECONOMIC PROGRESS MAKES OUR  
WORKING TOGETHER ALSO A PRACTICAL NECESSITY. WE  
HAVE NEVER LOST RESPECT FOR EACH OTHER, OR A  
DEDICATION TO SOLVE PROBLEMS COOPERATIVELY,  
AND WE MUST NEVER DO SO.

21. THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES ARE PROFOUND-  
LY CONVINCED THAT THE WORLD'S FUTURE IS AT  
STAKE. THE TALENTS AND ENERGY OF OUR PEOPLE  
HAVE GIVEN US THE MEANS FOR MATERIAL PROGRESS  
THAT CAN ALL BUT ERADICATE FAMINE, POVERTY,  
DISEASE AND-- AS WE PROVED TOGETHER IN FACING THE  
1970 EARTHQUAKE - TO ALLEVIATE THE DREADFUL  
CONSEQUENCES OF NATURAL DISASTER. HISTORY WILL  
JUDGE US CRUELLY IF WE FAIL TO DRAW FROM THESE  
BLESSINGS THE GREATEST POSSIBLE HUMAN BENEFIT.  
PARAPHRASING AN ANCIENT QUECHUA (KEH-CHOO-AH)  
SAYING, "EVEN THE STONES WOULD CRY." NOT OUR  
POWER, BUT OUR WISDOM, IS CHALLENGED.

22. PERU, IT IS CLEAR EVEN ON THIS BRIEF VISIT,  
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HAS COMMITTED ITSELF WITH DETERMINATION TO BUILD  
A BETTER LIFE FOR ITS OWN PEOPLE. ITS LEADERSHIP  
WITHIN THE THIRD-WORLD DEMONSTRATES CONCERN THAT  
TRANSCENDS ITS OWN BORDERS. AT TIMES THE FERVOR  
OF THOSE CONVICTIONS HAS CONFLICTED WITH SOME OF  
OURS, EVEN WHEN OUR FUNDAMENTAL INTERESTS HAVE  
NOT.

23. DESPITE THE UNIQUE ROLE THAT EACH OF US  
PLAYS, MY VISIT CONVINCES ME MORE THAN EPDR THAT  
RMUR SHARED GOALS CAN DOMINATE OUR DIFFERENCES.  
IT IS UP TO US TO TRANSLATE OUR PEOPLE'S IDEALS  
INTO CONCRETE ACHIEVEMENTS: THROUGH NEGOTIATION,  
NOT CONFRONTATION; THROUGH COMMON EFFORT, NOT  
DISCORD.

24. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I PROPOSE A TOAST TO  
THE GREATNESS OF PERU, TO OUR RESPECT AND UN-  
DERSTANDING FOR EACH OTHER. AND TO THE GREATNESS  
OF WHAT WE CAN ACHIEVE TOGETHER.  
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